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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE R.34'S WONDERFUL FLIGHT.

A MEMORABLE AND UNIQUE VOYAGE.

London, July 13.
The Air Ministry states—R.34 was first sighted at about 15 miles north of Pulham at 5.56 this morning, Greenwich time, heading almost due east. Turning south she circled over Pulham at 6.22 at 800 feet, landing safely 6.56.

THE COMMANDER INTERVIEWED.

London, July 13.
Major Scott, in an interview, stated that the journey of R.34 from America took 75 hours and three minutes. She had 1,000 gallons of petrol left.

Numerous telegrams of congratulation were sent to R.34. H. M. the King telegraphed hearty congratulations on the completion of a memorable and unique voyage.

AIRSHIPS HAVE A WONDERFUL FUTURE.

London, July 13.
Major Scott, the Commander of R.34, interviewed, expressed the opinion that the most striking fact was that the return journey was safely accomplished, despite the most adverse and difficult weather conditions experienced, particularly on the outward voyage. He declared that he made an excellent landing at Pulham and had 1,000 gallons of petrol left. The airship was undoubtedly the type for Overseas work. With a larger craft, a speed of 70 to 80 miles could be maintained. Moreover, he was convinced that airships, which have a wonderful future, would be used commercially for the longest journeys and would not conflict with aeroplanes, which would be complementary to them. Airships were extremely comfortable to travel in and there was no feeling of sea-sickness. The Americans were most impressed by the voyage and realised the commercial possibilities of linking up Great Britain and America.

A VERY INTERESTING LOG.

London, July 13.
The Air Ministry states—The official log of the voyage of R.34 states—“We left Minotaur in darkness and with a gusty south-west wind, travelling about 30 miles per hour, with an extremely good ‘get-away,’ considering the difficulties. Four thousand six hundred gallons of petrol were on board. We steered straight for New York. The city at midnight looked like a wonderful and veritable fairyland with miles and miles of tiny, bright and twinkly lights. Searchlights at first very unsuccessfully searched for the airship, but we finally got it fair and square. The Times Square at Broadway was a remarkable sight. Despite the early hour of one o'clock in the morning thousands turned up and the faces were distinctly seen. The whole scene was lit by gigantic electrical signs. The air over New York was very disturbed owing to an approaching cyclone from the Great Lakes, also the heat rising from the city itself, but the airship rode very steadily.”

“R.34 headed homewards at 1.10 in the morning at a speed of nearly 74 miles an hour. The weather was decidedly favourable. We were getting the full benefit of the south-west wind. We crossed the American coast at 2.30 in the morning with four out of five engines running, the fifth engine being completely broken down. We were going at a speed of 25 knots with three engines. At 4.40 in the morning we descended to 600 feet to get under the clouds but, finding there was a northerly wind replacing the warm air rising from the Gulf-Stream we kept at 3,000 feet, where there was a steady south-west wind.”

The Log continues as follows:—“At noon the weather report of the Air Ministry says: ‘Anti-cyclone off south-west of Ireland, so we change our course more northward in order to get the west wind which must be blowing northwards of it. At 4.30 in the afternoon, owing to thick clouds extending right down to the water, we have not seen the sea since 5.30 this morning, so there are no means of telling our speed. At five o'clock in the afternoon, we picked up a wireless from H. M. S. Cumberland. At 7.5 in the evening—Heavy rain since five o'clock; very cold and dark. All windows and floors shut.”

“At 8.45—We dropped a calcium flare. Cooke took directions, and picked up an East Fortune wireless, distant 1,100 miles. At midnight rain was pouring down.”

“12.7—At three o'clock in the morning a magnificent sunrise. The sun appeared above the clouds in a blaze of colours impressing the crew. At six o'clock in the morning we were 76 miles from East Fortune, running on three engines at a speed of 32 knots. The clouds below look like the gigantic, soft, springy, fleecy white feathers of the bed. The cause was strange. There was an irresistible feeling of wishing to jump down into them.”

“10.55 in the morning—At a height of 5,000 feet. Now over the big cloud gap, 26 miles across the clear blue sky and sea without a sign of a ship, making 35 knots.”

“11.25 in the morning—We wirelessed Clifden with directional finding. The apparatus was cold.”

“At noon—Anxious to land. The strain beginning to tell. A north-easter prevents making more than 28 knots per hour.”

“At 12.30 in the afternoon we were at a height of 5,000 feet with a clear blue sky and a deep blue sea. The visibility at the maximum of this height that we can see is 81 miles, or an area of 19,200 square miles, but no ship is visible.”

“5.30—Great excitement. Two trawlers sighted, which look very tiny. We speak with an Aldis lamp, but there is no reply. We are now down to 3,000 feet with a very marked difference in the temperature, doing 32 knots. Cooke considers it impossible to gauge the position of the mid-Atlantic within a 20 mile margin in an airship.”

“6.50 in the evening—A sudden squall, ship very steady, doing 1,600 revolutions with one out of four engines.”

“7.25—We land on the starboard bow. There is great enthusiasm. We alter our course to get out a large chart. There is keen competition to see who will fix the exact spot. When we cross the coast we see two islands ahead. With glasses we see a wireless mast at Clifden. The islets are the same that appeared out of the fog to the delighted gaze of Alcock and Brown. It is a happy coincidence.”

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE AUSTRIAN TREATY.

RENUNCIATIONS IN FAVOUR OF CHINA.

Paris, July 13.
The Chief Austrian Delegate, in replying to the presentation of the peace terms, made a generally favourable impression, and eloquently that the new Austrian Republic could not be considered as the successor of the Hapsburg Monarchy but was willing to acknowledge the principle that a change of Government should relieve the State of responsibility, Austria being ready to assume the dreadful inheritance.

Austria renounces in favour of China all privileges and indemnities resulting from the Boxer Protocol of 1901, all buildings, barracks, and ships' wireless plant in the Austrian Concession of Tientsin to be opened to international use.

Austria declares that all Treaties with Siam are abolished as from July 22, 1917, Austrian State property becoming Siam's—Havas.

SIAMESE MINISTER MEETS KING GEORGE.

London, July 14.
H. M. the King has granted an audience to the Siamese Minister who presented a letter of credentials.

THE ROYAL DUTCH COMPANY.

London, July 14.
The Royal Dutch Company, which is increasing its share capital from 230,000,000 to 400,000,000 florins, is issuing 42,763,600 florins worth of new shares at par. Each holder of four shares is entitled to subscribe one new share.

ALLIED WAR MEMORIAL.

INTERNATIONAL GARDEN CITY.

Brussels, July 13.
An Inter-Allied Committee, enquiring into the question of a War Memorial, recommends the foundation of an International Garden City, named “Geopolis,” in Belgium, which should be neutralised and might eventually become the permanent seat of the League of Nations.

PARIS INDUSTRIAL TROUBLES.

Paris, July 13.
Trouble is threatening in Paris in the metallurgical industry. Workers in the clothing and millinery trades are already out, and the tubes have stopped. Generally speaking, the employers accept the eight-hour day but are resisting the workmen's demand for increased rates.—Havas.

THE RHINELAND REPUBLIC.

Paris, July 13.
Mistrust is prevalent in Paris at the proclamation of the Rhineland Republic. If sincere, it would be the most important news from Germany since November last.—Havas.

WARNING TO BELA KUN.

Paris, July 13.
The Allies have telegraphed Bela Kun that they cannot treat with him so long as the Armistice is unfulfilled.

ANOTHER ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

St. Johns, July 12.
The Martinsyde aeroplane, while being moved to the flying ground preparatory to an immediate trans-Atlantic flight, burst a tyre, necessitating the postponement of the flight till to-morrow.

GERMAN CABINET CHANGES.

Copenhagen, July 12.
A message from Berlin says the Cabinet members Herr Wissel and Moellendorf have resigned in connection with trade questions. Herr Robert Schmidt has accepted the Economic portfolio vice Herr Wissel.

“At 8 o'clock in the evening we cross the coast line north of Clifden. The time from the American coast is 61 hours 33 minutes. We head over the mountains, which are 2,900 feet. There is a wild rugged coastline. The magnificent cloud in the panorama appears throughout to peep out of the tops of the mountains, while through the gaps we see lakes, harbours, islands and green fields. It is the prettiest picture we have seen on the entire voyage. We now realise that we should have a more northerly course after leaving the helpful influence of the Newfoundland depression. Undoubtedly Captains of air liners in future will be acquainted with the art of selecting the right way and the right height, and often by making wide detours will save many hours.”

“At 11.20 in the evening—The Air Ministry sent a wireless to land at Pulham. We ask to land at East Fortune as the weather is reported to be good. Their reply is ‘Land at Pulham.’ We assume you there is special reason for it.”

“13.7—At one o'clock in the morning at a height of 5,000 feet we pass over the Isle of Man and Liverpool.”

“2.45—We pass Derby.”

“3.55—We pass Nottingham.”

“4.15—We get wireless congratulations from His Majesty.”

“6.20 in the morning—We set over Pulham aerodrome and land.”

“6.57—The total time for the return from ‘Long Island’ is 75 hours and three minutes.”

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE EGYPTIAN DISTURBANCES.

THREE RINGLEADERS HANGED.

Cairo, July 2.
Three ringleaders in the murder of the English railway official, Mr. Smith, at El Wasat, on March 15 have been hanged, and two others sentenced to penal servitude for life and two years respectively.

SOME SENTENCES COMMUTED.

Cairo, July 2.
The Premier states that out of fifty-one death sentences by Military Courts in connection with the recent disturbances, one man has been pardoned and ten sentences commuted. On the intervention of the Premier, the Commander-in-Chief commuted six other sentences and promised that the Military Courts should cease to function on July 15, except in connection with attacks on members of His Majesty's forces. Those interned on political grounds would be released and the censorship on outward correspondence abolished.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

THE TSINGTAU QUESTION.

Peking, July 17.
The British, French and American Governments much regret China's refusal to sign the Treaty and intend to make a compromise between China and Japan, proposing that the Shantung question should be negotiated between the two nations concerned, but Luk Ching-cheng suggests that any documents in regard to the matter must be counter-signed by British, French and American delegates as guarantees, but neither Japan nor the three Powers have agreed to this.

KOWLOON NOTES.

In the Junior Tennis League K.C.C. played the C.R.C. on Wednesday evening, the former winning by seven points. On Wednesday evening K.C.C. (B) met Queen's College, the latter winning by a large margin.

We would remind Kowloonites that the K.C.C. at Home will be held to members and friends on Sunday evening from 9 till 11. A band will be in attendance and an enjoyable evening is anticipated.

A new discovery in accelerated growth of flora was made in Kowloon last night. What at first sight appears to be a fully-grown palm tree, sprang up within a few hours, just outside the Ferry wharf and was the subject of considerable controversy on the morning ferries. We have made enquiries from well known local botanists and learn that the specimen is not unknown, although very rare. The botanical name is *Whitkusia Whitus* and it is celebrated for its rapid growth. Lack of space prevents us giving further details.

We learn that so far, no appointment has been made in connection with the recommendation of the Sanitary Board for an all time Sanitary Inspector for Kowloon. No doubt the authorities are awaiting the arrival of the new Governor before deciding this weighty matter.

We learn that the Station Hotel is about to change hands and that the Hotel will, in future, probably be under the management of Mr. W. Stewart.

The preparations for the great event to be celebrated in Kowloon to-night and to-morrow are now complete and a show worthy of the residents on the peninsula is assured. A full description will appear in the Telegraph in due course. We would take this opportunity however, of reminding Kowloonites of the very hard work done by the Kowloon sub-committee, and the thanks of the whole community is due to them. When it is realised that not a pole could be let into the ground, not an arch erected in the roadway and not even the leaf of a tree touched without having to get special permission from the Forestry and other officials, it will be seen what a tremendous amount of detail work has had to be got through.

We published details of the weeks in this column of the efforts made by the Kowloon sub-committee, and the work done by the various committees and individuals in connection with the celebration of the centenary of the founding of the Colony.

A CHINESE LUNATIC.

ESCAPES BUT IS QUICKLY CAUGHT.

Yesterday a Chinese inmate of the Lunatic Asylum escaped from that institution, where he had been detained since December last. He was a houseboy formerly employed by Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Bradbury and was committed to the Asylum after the murder of an ayah, being ordered to be detained there during His Majesty's pleasure, as he was found to be insane.

The escaped man was recaptured last night on the s.s. Kwongai, by which he was attempting to get away to Canton. approach of four rickshas at a time instead of two. This work is now in hand, but it appears to us that the enlargement of the shelter will not remedy the fearful “mix-up” which occurs every time a ferry lands a batch of passengers. Where regulation is most needed is not over the method of leaving the shelter but in the actual taking of passengers. As matters now stand, indescribable confusion rules.

There is also another point which any enlargement of the shelter will not remedy and that is the “barracking” that goes on each time a ferry arrives. The air is filled with cat-calls, and every conceivable noise that these lusty lunged coolies are capable of producing and this, coupled with general scramble immediately outside the wharf, creates a scene of pandemonium that must be witnessed to be believed.

Some kind of regulation other than the enlargement of the shelter is needed, especially if it is intended to allow the coolies to leave the shelter in larger numbers than heretofore, for under present conditions this arrangement will make confusion worse confounded. One thing we would point out, and that is an Indian constable is no good for the job of keeping order, indeed he comes in for more of the “barracking” than anybody else. A ricksha will leave the stand out of his turn or do something against the regulations, whereupon the Indian constable sets out to “catch” the ricksha, who makes off up the hill, leaving the constable with the complete confusion of the shelter.

Photo: Topical News.

FIELD MARSHAL
SIR DOUGLAS HAIG.

who played an important part in securing the Allied Victory, which we celebrate to-day and to-morrow.

To-Day's Exchange.
The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 34.5.15-16d.

TO-MORROW'S COUNCIL MEETING.

MESSAGE TO H.M. THE KING.

At the meeting of the Executive and Legislative Council, to-morrow at 10 a.m., H.E. the Officer Administering the Government will move—

“The Executive and Legislative Councils assembled in joint session, on behalf of the people of the Colony of Hong Kong, desire to tender to His Majesty the King a humble expression of their loyalty and devotion, and their respectful and heartfelt congratulations on the attainment, in conjunction with the Allied and Associated Powers, of a just and victorious Peace. It is their fervent hope that the whole Empire, united by bonds of mutual sympathy and self-sacrifice, is about to enter on a new era of progress and prosperity.”

LEAGUE TENNIS.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE v. K.C.C. “B.”

Played on Thursday at Kowloon. Queen's College won by 75 games to 24 games. Scores—
Kay and Yvanovich beat Jeffries and Sousa 8-3; beat Mead and Richmond 11-0; beat Davidson and Ralston 10-1.
Crock and Foster beat Jeffries and Sousa 8-3; beat Mead and Richmond 8-3; beat Davidson and Ralston 8-3.
Isaiah and Isaiah beat Jeffries and Sousa 7-4; beat Mead and Richmond 10-1; beat Davidson and Ralston 8-6.

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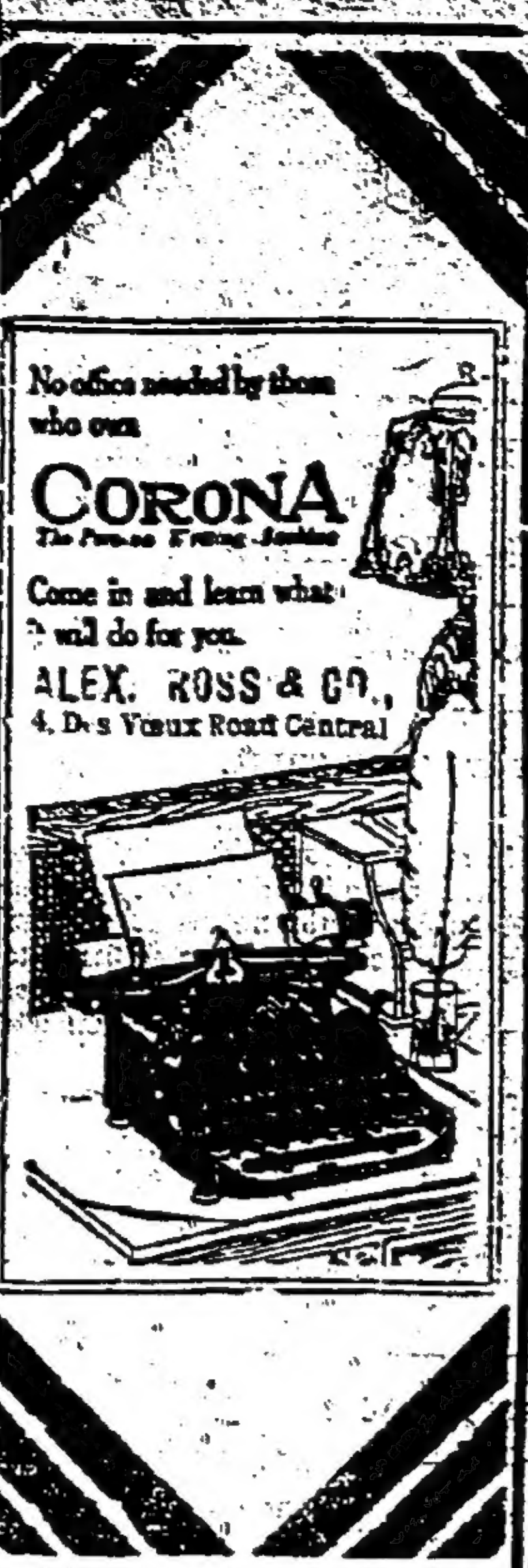
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FIGURE-PICTURES AND
LANDSCAPES.

Figure pictures are prominent in the Exhibition of the Societe des Artistes Francais, held in the Grand Palais of Paris recently. The figure subjects, like most other features of the Exhibition, are in considerable diversity. Quite a number of the figure painters have evidently allowed real to run away with discretion in their efforts to secure something novel and striking in the way of pose. The result is often grotesque, and suggests more than anything else the contortionist. In some cases, on the other hand, there is a gracefulness and flow of line combined with freedom from the conventional which, natural and convincing in its arrangement, produces an altogether pleasing effect. Such, for example, is the study of the nude figure of a girl playing a flageolet in a half-sitting posture by E. Fougere, which he entitles "Homages aux Vainqueurs." The disposition of the figure is well balanced and graceful, and fills the canvas satisfactorily without overcrowding. Other painters have aimed rather at rendition of character, combined with decorative effect, than the purely decorative disposition of the figure. One of the best examples of the latter class is the "Mauvais Jour, 1918," by Jules Guin, prominent in the foreground of a street scene are a Frenchwoman wearing a black and white plaid shawl, and her small boy, whom she holds by the hand. There are remarkable delicacy and force in the rendering of the boy's face, with its bright and alert expression. The "1918" feature of the picture consists in the blue uniform of soldiers in the background. The decorative effect is striking without being over-obtrusive, and the colour is bold and at the same time harmonious. The picture is a forceful rendering of an ordinary street scene free from any anecdotal divergence or subjective sentimentality.

There is, on the other hand, an obtrusive suggestion of the pose in the "Portrait of Madame L. in Turkish Costume," by Ferdinand Humbert, member of the Institute, which is prominent in one of the rooms, and one of five portraits by the same artist. A feeling of constraint is almost suggested on the part of the lady as appearing in a costume for which her personality suggests no affinity. An adventitious aid to the Turkish atmosphere is the introduction of the crescent moon in the decorative background. Much more convincing and attractive is M. Humbert's portrait of Madame Lefebvre-Glaize, an elderly, white-haired lady in black lace dress, whose suave, kindly, and mellow personality is rendered with admirable simplicity and sympathy. Gustave Pierre's large figure picture, "Mouvement de Troupes," has striking and original features, and is piquant and arresting rather than alluring. The pale-blue of the French soldiers' uniforms dominates the colour scheme; but it is the disposition and *tendue* of the crowding figures which produce an unusual and to some extent stimulating result. The two lines of troops passing in opposite directions are disposed with a curious diagonal effect of composition; the same face is repeated throughout the large canvas; and the faces are all turned to concentrate on the spectator. An effect is produced which subtly conveys crowded movement and disciplined order more forcefully than would be possible with a more liberal treatment of the subject. More objectively and directly realistic is "Le Poilu de la Lauch," by J. F. Bouchor, a soldier on sentry duty in a snowy setting which feels cold and desolate. Another figure picture, idealistic and classical in feeling rather than modern and realistic, but relating the classical idea to modern existence, is "Les Amours," by Joseph-Marius Avril. The spacing of the picture is an important element in its effect. A lady with a green turban head-dress and rose-coloured shawl over a grey costume, with her companion, who carries a guitar—both figures in their attire and deportment notably modern in spite of the turban and the musical instrument—stand at one side, "aching" with amused interest the gambols of five cupids, who, in the midst of a lofty, white, green, and black, looking out from the clouds of the sky.



both arms negligently thrown over the back of a chair, is painted against a delicately toned background in pale rose and pale purple.

Some of the landscapes of the Societe des Artistes Francais have been mentioned in a previous article. One that has distinct character and feeling is "La Terre," by P. Montezin, a low-toned harmony in grey, green, brown and black. More assertive in tone is "La Paix," by Claude Bourgonnier, a harvest field with figures, partly veiled by the smoke of a camp fire, gathered for a mid-day meal. The picture conveys an impression of warmth and spaciousness. There are

inevitably, a number of pictures whose subject is not peace, but war. One of these is "A Room at Verdun in April 1917," by Henri Guinier. It turns an interesting example of manner triumphing over material. For while the subject is a wrecked room, it is presented in quiet, harmonious tones that give a pleasant restful effect. The colour, in pale green, yellow, and purple, is sweet and cool. A more opulent effect is presented in the "Marine" of Charles R. Darrieux, an arrangement of rocks bathed in warm light, rendered with a mosaic-like technique, and a turquoise sea, a touch of red carried by the sail of a fishing boat in the distance having its due effect in the colour scheme. A vigorous seascape, with a sense of movement and also rich in colour, is Charles Signoret's "Return of the Boats"—clouds, sea, and listed fishing vessels being presented in the heroic vein. An interesting example of modern tendencies, which stops short of the wilful eccentricities of some of the extremists represented in the Exhibition, is "La Quai des Dames, La Rochelle," by Gaston Balande. The sails of the boats, in violent reds, yellows, or pinks, the blue figures of the sailors on the quay, and the pale green sea beyond, combine in a powerful effect of sunshine and open air. The angular drawing of the group of sails in the centre, while lending forcefulness to the lines of construction, is not so obtrusive and, to the extent that it destroys conviction, repellent as in some of the other pictures in which cubist influence is apparent. There are in the Exhibition several interesting renditions of still life in different manners—including Edmond Saut's arrangement of mussels, crab, and lemon, in which black plays an important part in the colour effect, and Mdlle. M. G. Royer's less articulate and more imaginative rendering of "Nature Morte." The decorative motive, in one example "Iris d'Eau," by E. Quost, has overflowed the canvas into the frame, which is in blue and gold to echo the yellow lilies and the blue background the picture—*The Siam*.

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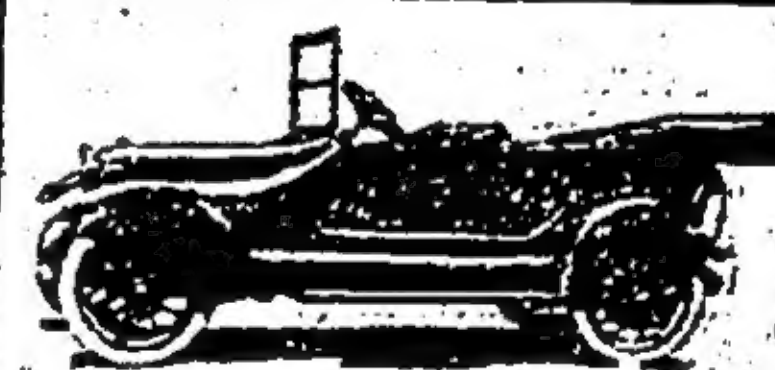
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TO HIS NEPHEW AT HOME.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1919.

Dear Alick,—I saw the trial run of the *feu de joie* on the Murray Parade Ground yesterday morning. "A fine body of men as our late Governor was wont to say, and bar accidents the *feu* should go off like a string of crackers on Saturday morning. Of course, even the best bunch of fireworks has damp spots in it where it takes a breather, so to speak, before finally rattling down the strait. The Indians, I noticed, were stronger on the *feu* than the *joie* for their rear rank were a bit disinclined to send the *feu* on its return journey to the discomfort of the rest left with their arms at the "present." It takes training to keep that sort of thing up. The Indians were very good for all that but for that matter should be for drill in their middle name and they have plenty of time to do it in.

I couldn't help but think that as regards the Defence Corps unit, their treatment last Tuesday was much on all fours with the way they had to carry on during the war. There they were, jerked out of their beds at an unearthly hour of the morning just to fit in with the hours of parade of other regular units. After the show was over, I suppose the regulars called it a day and lay back for the next twenty four hours. But our fire-side soldiers couldn't do that. Many of them had to go home and change their togs. Nine o'clock would see them at their desks as usual getting on with the good work. It was the same during the war. Maskee whether it was the Lights, Engines or Guards, they had to roll up the next morning with the rest and counted themselves lucky if they hadn't a drill to put in the same evening. And there was no fool pigdin about it either, for officers were short-staffed in those days, and the taidan had an awkward knack of wanting to know all about it if on occasion his sub-

VICTORY AND PEACE!

Above, below, betwixt, between, we're competing with the moon; Old Hongkong's gay with bunting and light, not to mention Kowloon. The cocktails flow, gin smashes foam, "G'luck 'thic ye, ole bean." Who did your bit to beat the Hun and lick him good and keen.

The Hun has got it in the neck, he's crawling in the mud. He's a dirty, nasty thing, though at fighting not a dud. It's up to you keep him there; he'll slither out if he dare. So Hong-hic-kongites do your bit and keep the blighter there.

To-night we're having scenes of war, a' painted on the sky By whizzing rockets, bursting bombs and Catherine wheels on high. The Portuguese shout out "Oh my!" Chinese are in a whirl, And each young feller seizes his chance to squeeze the "only" girl!

We've won the Victory, let's have Peace—for that we fought to win. Let's work and play together, boys, and not forget the gin! There are things to 'sp, there are things to save, a good deal more than pel. So keep the British spirit strong and—the soda'll look after itself!

CAN DO!

But maybe that's a weak kind of argument in these Prohibition days. Miracles are a bit of a rarity. For that matter, it's a long time since the fact remains that America has produced no serious sobriety in favour of the status quo as regards intoxicants. Politicians waited on a lead, fearful as to which direction the cat would jump. It wasn't good form for the rich man to defend the extinction of his private comfort; the poor man wished he was wealthy enough to have the influence to protest and the man with the influence was afraid to squeal outside the privacy of his home in case his interests would in any way be injured. No one had the moral courage to come out flat-footed and advocate a measure permitting the sale of liquor. The fact of the matter is that most humans are a lot of humbugs. Society is founded on humbug—not vulgar humbug, mind ye, but refined humbug. What should keep society together is the necessity of order, mutual help and forbearance. What really does keep it together is the fear of the police and what the folks next door will think and say, and whether it will pay to do this or to do that.

Drunkenness is without doubt a very terrible thing. It has blotted out many a bright young life. Through it many a vigorous brain has been reduced to drivelling senility. Often the foster parent of crime, over indulgence in John Barleycorn has also desolated many a home. It has done in short all that was ever said of it in the Band of Hope meetings of our youth.

But after all is said and done in this matter of prohibition, drunkenness is not the point. The drunkard isn't by a long way in the foreground of the perspective of the social picture. For his miserable sake the Prohibitionist would destroy much of the comfort of the home and the amenity of social life. Of all the minor comforts of life from the cradle to the grave, beer and 'baccy are easily first. Their prohibition will only cause the drunkard to drink illicit poison in place of honest beer.

Teetotal tales of the dreadful consequences of alcohol upon the human body are, at the best, an exaggeration of the truth. Alcohol consumed as everything in the way of food or drink ought to be consumed—that is, temperately—does not exercise any serious defect on the human system. As a mental stimulant it has tea, coffee, and lemonade beaten on the mark.

As Burns says about Drink "Thou clears the head o' doited Lear; "Thou cheers the heart o' drooping Care; "Thou strings the nerves o' Labour sair; "Thou even brightens dark Despair.

W' gloomy smile, and the next post-war development problem the Government should tackle is the reconstruction or abolition of the Coolie Express system. Man, I sent a chit to a chap the other day and marked it urgent twice and told the coolie to *fai-ter* in three different languages. About an hour later, on the way back from the Club, where I had gone to hear the latest about the Peace Celebrations, I took it into my head to go and see the chap I had sent the rush chit to but it didn't take three shakes o' a lamb's tail for me to see that I was an easy first. As it was a message I thought was first best softened by writing I left it at that but promised myself the pleasure o' firing you coolie three times running, but no' mind ye, till after I had given him a rough outline o' the delinquencies o' his ancestors unto the third and fourth generation. On the road back I nearly fell over the unwashed pup sitting to leeward of a gambling school in Chater Road with my chit between his toes and his mouth full of noise and melon seeds. Not being a Prussian I didn't even motion him to move away—he was too quick for me anyway. (I was eye commended for my footwork in my boxing days). But they're all the same, the blighters. Look at the Cable Company's messengers. Well I draw that back for even if you did look at them you wouldn't be able to distinguish them from the flower sellers in Wyndham Street. The Perseus that usually blows in with my telegrams can produce no *bona fide* evidence to prove that he is more than a sampan cook's mate. Surely the cable companies have made enough these past four years to enable them to set aside at least \$500 a month towards getting uniforms for their coolie messengers. It would pay them in the end, for

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when they were seen squatting on their hunkers horning in on a gambling game, the average individual would realise that it would be a public service to help them on their way—and incidentally insert the thin edge of Prussianism—by booting them into activity. Sometimes I think it would be a public boon if we could have a system of pneumatic fingers through which our public and parcels could be propelled from office to office. The hot air from the Clubs could be drawn off and centralized for the purpose.

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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN-AUSTRIA AND HUNGARY.

Copenhagen, July 12.
A message from Vienna says it is stated that agreement in principle has been reached between the Governments of German-Austria and Hungary.

THE POLISH PROBLEM.

Paris, July 12.
The Supreme Inter-Allied Council has decided to appeal to M. Paderewski and M. Kramarz, the Czecho-Slovak Premier, to come to an arrangement with regard to the Teschen district, failing which the Peace Conference must decide the fate of this territory.

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

INVESTITURE AT SINGAPORE.

Singapore, July 16.
H. E. the Governor invested Mrs. Edden and Mr. W. F. Nutt with the insignia of Member and Officer respectively of the Order of the British Empire before a large assembly at Government House.

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Auditor.—The accounts now presented have been audited by Mr. Francis Maitland, who, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

GOLF.

A match handicap between the Civil Service and Military was played on the relief course at Fanling on Wednesday the 16th inst. with the following result:—

C.S. M.	
Mr R.O. Hutchison. v. Capt. Leslie-Smith	0 1 1/4
Mr N.L. Smith. (Rec. 1. str. and 1. Bisque.) v. Lieut. Col. Coles	0 0
Commander. C. W. Beckwith. (Rec. 5.) v. Lieut. Col. Harvey	0 1
Mr G. A. Woodcock. (Rec. 5.) v. Captain Lucy	0 1
Mr T. F. Claxton. (Rec. 5.) v. Captain Burrell	0 1
Major Buck. (Substitute) (Rec. 2.) v. Captain Murray	1 1/4
Hon. Mr A. G. M. Fletcher. v. Lt. Col. Clementi-Smith	1 0
Hon. Mr E. R. Halifax. v. Lt. Col. Taylor	0 0
Hon. Mr E. D. C. Wolfe. (Rec. 3.) v. Captain Gray	0 1
Totals	2 5 1/4
Match counts	1 point
Bye counts	1/4 point

THE NEW TERRITORIES.

BAD YEAR FOR FARMERS.

In his report on the Northern District of New Territories for the year 1918, Mr. G. N. Orme says, *inter alia*—

Police Court.—There were again fewer cases, but a larger proportion of larceny and kindred offences, possibly due to bad times. About half the offenders come from Chinese territory.

Small Debts Court.—Largely owing to bad trade and bad crops, the number of cases increased to nearly double that of last year, and the debts could seldom be recovered.

Land Office.—There was an increased demand for grave-sites, mostly on permit on Crown land, but in some cases purchased by well-to-do Chinese with a provision for the beautifying of the neighbouring hillsides by the planting of trees. There was a large increase in sales of land for growing fruit trees. The large reclamation of marsh land, foreshadowed in last year's report, fell through, partly on account of applicant's inability to satisfy the requirements laid down as to irrigation, and partly from fear of conflict with local interests or prejudices.

Revenue.—The revenue for the year, so far as paid through this office, amounted to \$120,244.93, an increase on all previous years, except 1916. In addition, there was a total sum of about \$30,935.33 contributed by this district through other offices.

General.—While 1917 was a bad year for the farmers, 1918 was still worse. The spring was dry till the end of May, so that there was insufficient water for the young padi, and then there was a record fall for the next three months which interfered both with the gathering of the first crop and the planting of the second. The price of padi rose considerably towards the end of the year, but most of the profit went to the dealers rather than the farmers. In consequence many of the poorer people were reduced to living on congee and sweet potatoes instead of rice. Of the two market centres, Tai Po had a fairly prosperous year, with a considerable demand for building sites on the reclamation but at Un Long business was bad, and in addition much damage was done by a fire among the old shops in February, whereby some 25 buildings were destroyed. The disturbed condition of the neighbouring province had less serious consequences for the New Territories than might have been feared; such bad characters as found their way across the border came for most part in peaceful guise, perhaps preferring to reserve their activities for Hongkong. The demand for metals led to much prospecting, and to two new mining ventures for wolfram, one at the junction with the Southern District near Shing Mun, and one at near Castle Peak. The prevailing epidemic of influenza invaded the Territory in the autumn and caused numerous deaths.

FIRING ON A BRITISH WARSHIP.

CHINESE APOLOGIES.

Recently the British warship *Widgeon*, with Admiral Tudor on board, was fired upon by Southern troops in Szechuan province. The matter was subsequently taken up by the British Consul at Ichang with General Li, a Commander of the Southern troops, as a result of which three responsible Chinese officers and some other men have been punished.

WILL IN A BOOK.

LOST LOVE LETTER LEFT BETWEEN PAGES.

Some of the humour and the pathos of the Camps' Library, which provided British troops in the field and naval men at sea with "something to make us forget the war" are recalled in a report just published.

In four years the Library dealt with nearly 16,000,000 publications, chiefly books and magazines. "Those who gave," says the report, "may well feel proud of the fact that the value of their splendid gifts, even taken at considerably below the published price should have amounted to over £300,000."

Sometimes the books have had beautiful plates; sometimes little iliterate inscriptions written in the cover like "Keep this next your heart, it may turn a bullet," or, in a child's handwriting: "Dear Soldier.—I do wish you will fight well and come safe home to your loving little kiddies like me, quite safe." The report continues:—

"Strange indeed have been some of the contents of the bags, often causing the sorters no small amazement. An antiquated list of members of clubs, for instance, seemed scarcely suitable literature to give to men requiring amusement, and in days before the Women's Army came into existence in was hard to understand how such a book as 'How to Cut a Smart Blouse' could have been thought by any donor a fitting gift for the men in the trenches, nor did 'How to Organise Mothers' Meetings' seem quite an appropriate book to send out to a war-worn soldier. On the other hand, 'Woman and How to Manage Her' was a book that it was felt might have some appreciative readers planning out their return to civilian life."

But many other documents were found to have strayed among the books and magazines. A draft will containing drastic disinheriting clauses fell out one day from between the pages of a book. It bore no trace of name or of address, and so it was impossible to "return it to sender," but many were the speculations as to whether it ever became a legal will.

Another letter was found fastened with great blobs of sealing wax in the inside cover of a magazine.

WITH BEST WISHES.

I am only a little boy of 10 years. And I hope whoever gets this Book will like it. My father is missing since the 25th and 26th September, 1915. The Battle of Loos. I wonder if it will fall in the hands of anyone who was in the Battle and could give us any information concerning him.

Underneath were the name of the lad's father, the number of the battalion, the name of his regiment, and the home address. Inquiries were set on foot, but they were of no avail.

And what happened to Edwin? Edwin was a civil servant in a Government office. Edwin (an office paper) wrote a most impassioned letter to Angelina, complaining of her treatment of him, passing his time with desperate ardour. And yet Angelina left him a letter in a novel, which was a most beautiful letter.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

TO-DAY'S "AT HOME."

A spirit of conviviality prevailed at the rooms of the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning when the members were "At Home" to their constituents and friends. M. Kremer, who is passing through Hongkong on his way to France, was among those present, while the toasts of the King, the Allies and America were honoured.

M. Kremer, replying to the toast of the Allies, said he was very glad to be once more in the midst of his friends and it was his hope that he would be able to return to Hongkong.

Mr. G. C. Moxon, in asking them to drink to America, said that though they had heard the boast of some Americans that they had won the war, that was certainly not shared by the majority of the citizens in America. But he had no hesitation in saying that America materially assisted in winning the war.

JARDINE'S BUY ENEMY PROPERTY.

The auction of enemy property consisting of two godowns with wharf and godowns, in Tai Chung Hau, Pun U District, took place at one o'clock yesterday afternoon, says the *Canton Times*. The purchasers were Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. and the price was \$475,000. The Constitutional Government will place this sum of money to the credit of the Bureau of Repatriation of Enemy Subjects.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]
AN OMISSION.

Sir,—It is a great insult to Australia and Australians in this Colony to see no flags of that Country flying during the Peace Celebrations.

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Yours etc.
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AQUITANIA'S BIG TASK.

In spite of the absence of tugs, caused by the continued strike, the Aquitania sailed from Southampton recently with the Canadian troops on board. It was a wonderful performance. Her length—901 ft.—made the task difficult; but the real trouble arose because her bow was pointing away from the river. She had to be turned in little more than her own length, and it took nearly two and a half hours to get her under way. She was moved under her own steam, and by the aid of numerous rope cables attached to bollards on the quayside. On two occasions a rope snapped at a seemingly vital moment in the final swerve. After much patient manoeuvring the vessel was turned within inches of the pontoon at the dock head. It was a narrow squeak. If she had touched there would have been a tremendous crash, but a piece of timber, standing

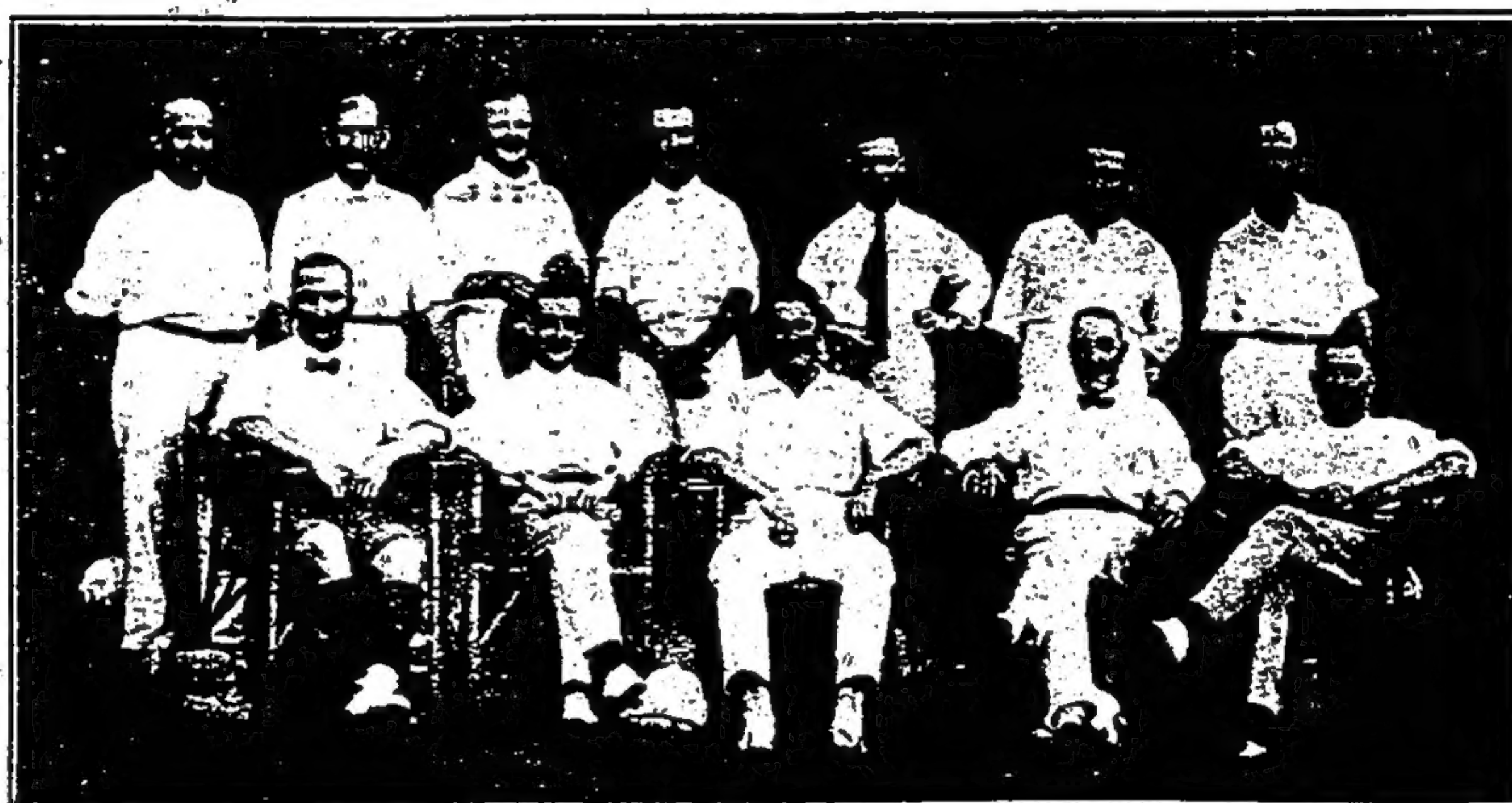
PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT.



Photo: Mee Cheong.
Wedding of Mr. G. B. Dunnett and Miss Dorothy Rodger.



Photo: Mee Cheong.
Group taken at the Dunnett-Rodger Wedding.



K.C.C. LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE TEAM.
Left to right:—Back row: J. Hyde, A. Davidson, J. H. Mead, J. Jack, W. R. Oswald, A. M. Simpson, H. Overy. Front row:—A. Fife, J. Gibson, G. Gerrard, J. R. Robinson, W. Richmond.



COMMANDANT LASSER.
Commandant Lasser, of the French Army, recently passed through Hongkong on his way to Tientsin from Siberia, where he has been on a special mission. He was for many years a member of the French Chamber of Deputies. In Parliamentary controversies, first as a Bonapartist and later as one of the leaders of the Nationalist Party, he was a strong but cordial adversary of M. Clemenceau, of whom since the war he has been one of the most ardent friends and supporters. When war broke out he volunteered at the age of 53, as a Lieutenant of "Dragoons," with his two sons, and was at La Cote. He had been a Lieutenant of Chasseurs d'Afrique in Algeria, and won his Croix de Guerre in holding the bridge at Guise for 14 hours with two platoons of "Dragoons" against superior forces, during the retreat of 1914.



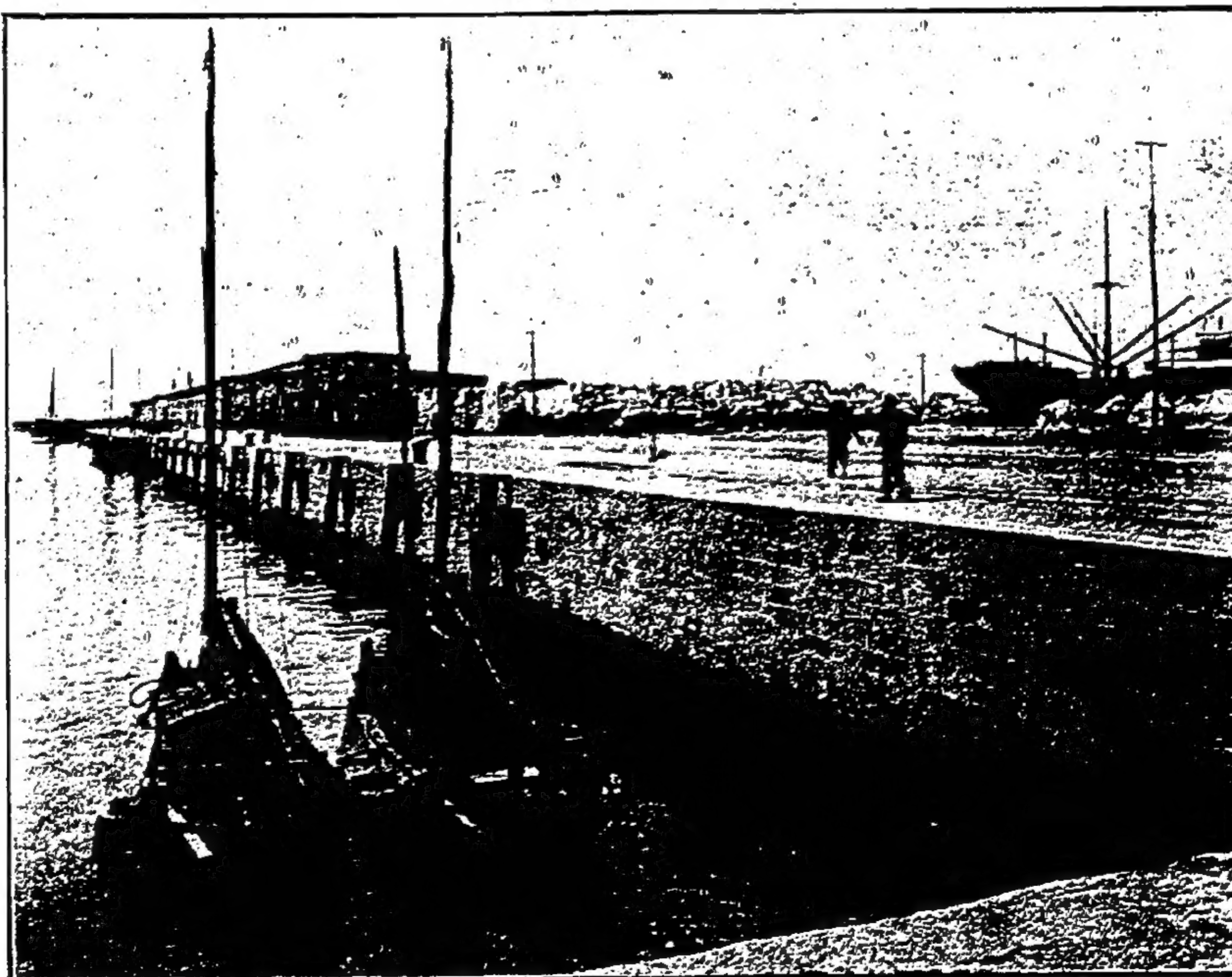
Third-class railway station at Tschengyang.

MORE VIEWS OF TSINGTAU AND SHANTUNG.

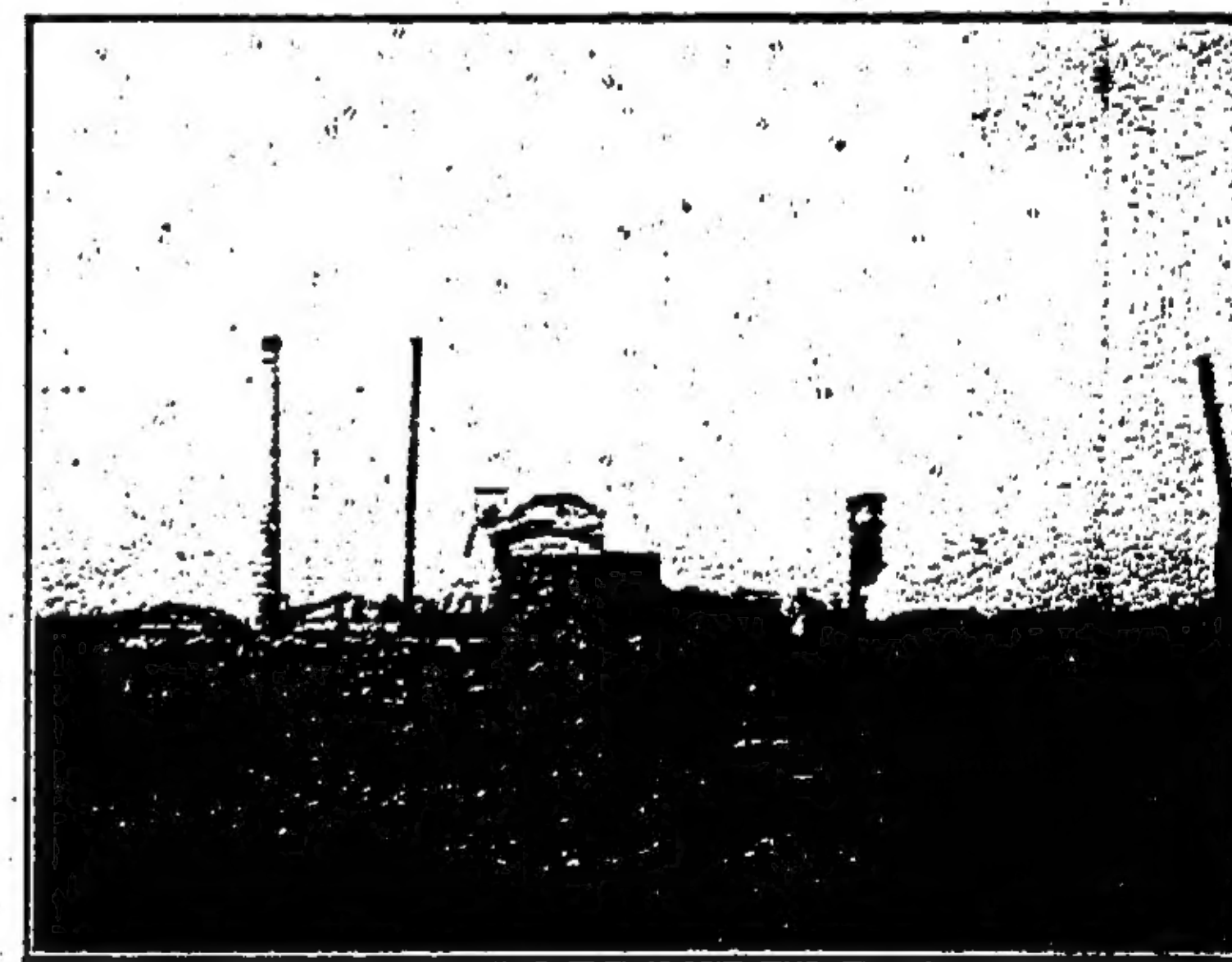
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Ciaufu Station (Tientsin-Pukow Railway) near Confucius' Tomb, Shantung.



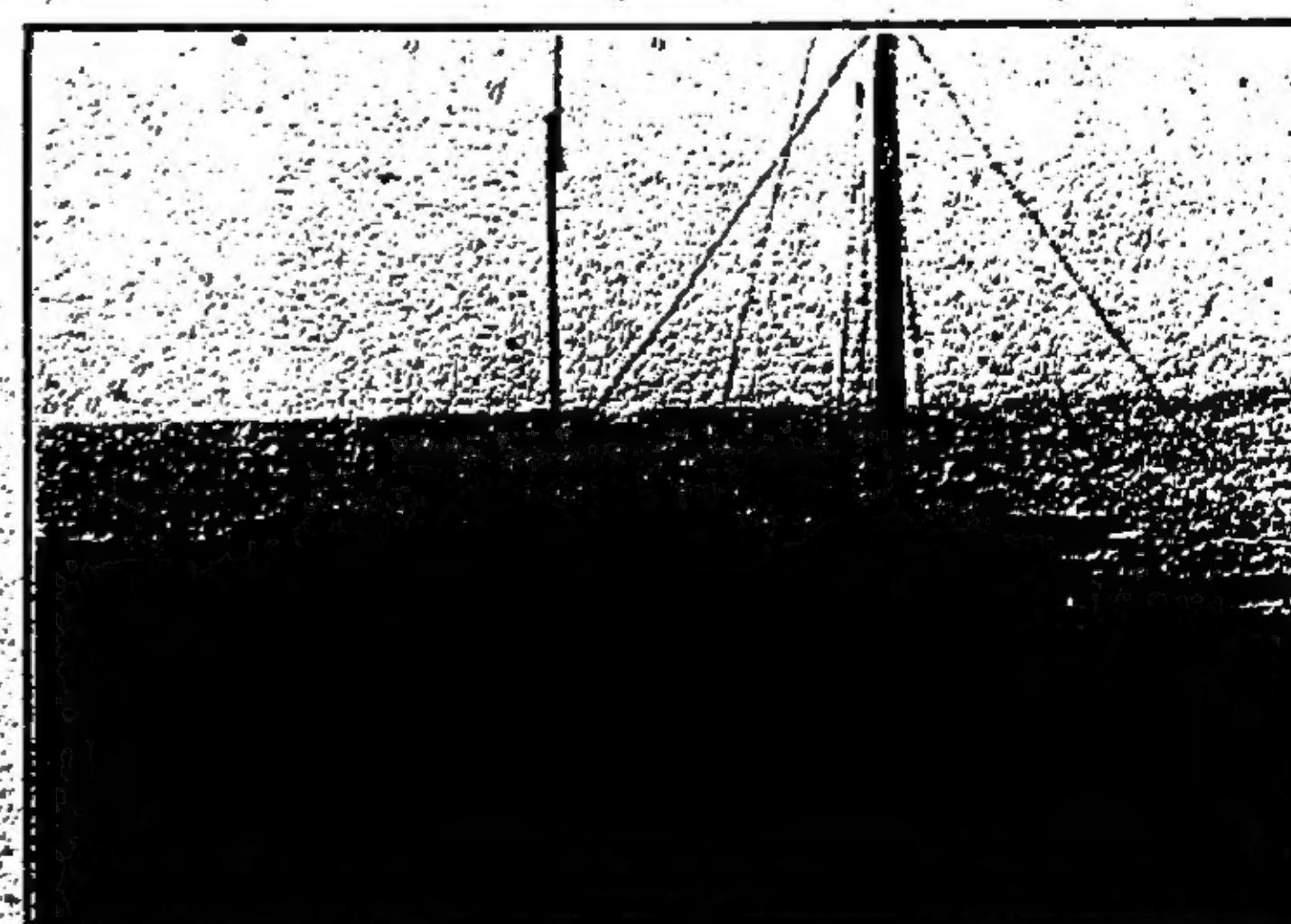
Wharf No. 2 at Tsingtau.



The Fangtse Coal Mines—General view from the Elms.



The Hungshan Coal Mines.



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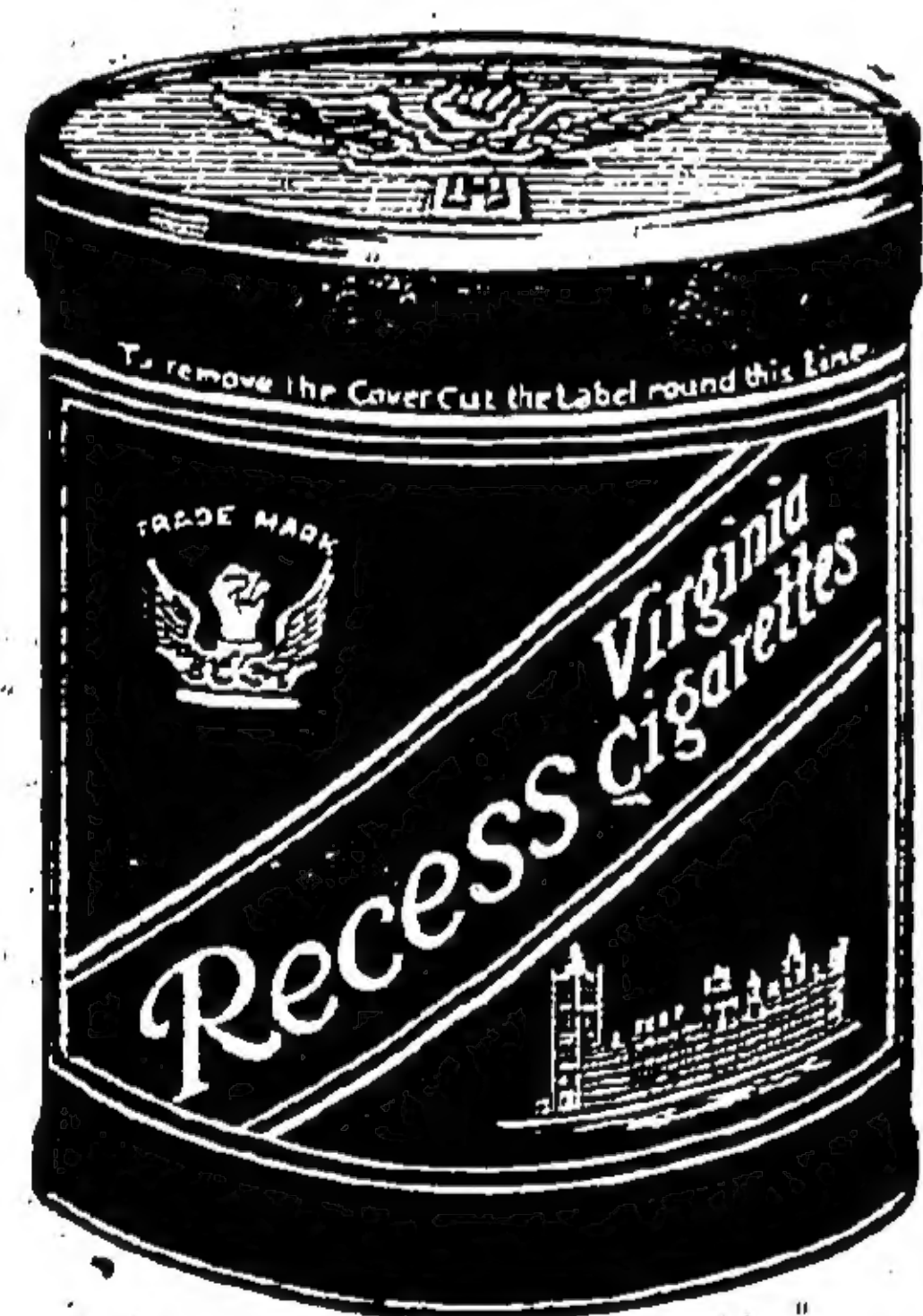


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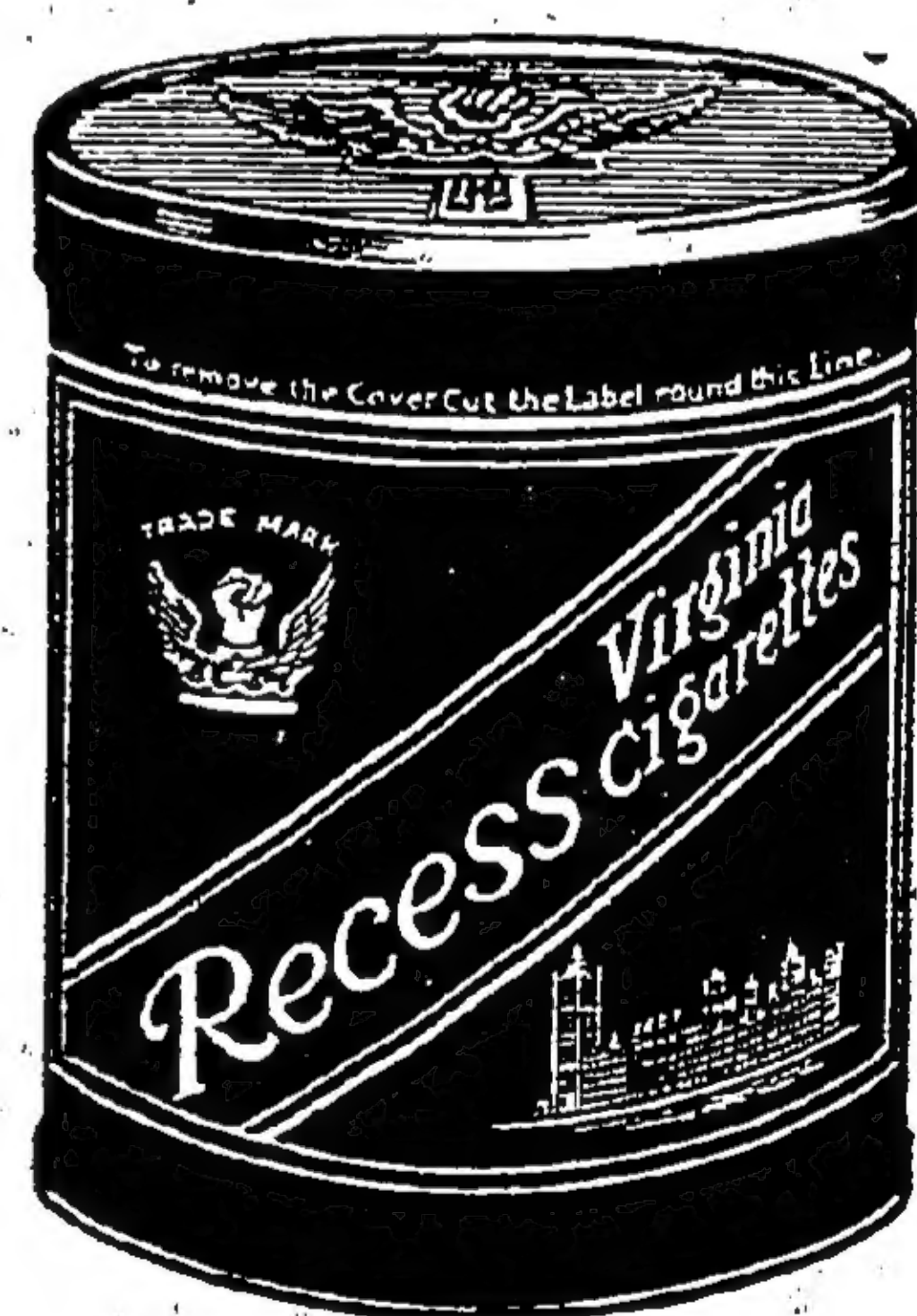
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The Feast of St. Vincent de Paul (falling on 19th inst.) will be Celebrated on Sunday 20th inst as follows.

Religious Service
Blessing of a Picture of St. Vincent by His Lordship the Bishop 7.45 a.m.
Solemn High Mass and General Communion 8.00 a.m.
General Meeting of the Members in the Hall of the Catholic Mission House Caine Road 11 a.m.
J. M. S. ROSARIO,
Hon. Secretary.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE.—On Saturday, 19th inst. All Departments will be closed for business.
DISPENSING DEPARTMENT.
Urgent prescriptions will be dispensed from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.
Hongkong, 17th July, 1919.

NOTICE.

NOTICE AND CAUTION
Kowloon INLAND LOT 176

The deeds and documents relating to the above property having been stolen in China from the possession of the owner, the public is hereby cautioned not to enter into any negotiations regarding the same without reference to the undersigned.
Dated the 17th day of July, 1919.
LEO D'ALMADA e CASTRO,
Solicitor for the owner.
Hongkong, 18th July, 1919.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE undersigned have instructions from the Liquidator of the trade and personal affairs of Gustav Adolf Georg Friesland deceased in pursuance of an Order of the Hongkong Government to sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY the 23rd day of July, 1919.

at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at their Auction Rooms at No. 8 Des Voeux Road Central.
The valuable Leasehold Property situate and being Farm Lot No. 40 and known as "Villa Miramar", Pokfulam, Hongkong, in one lot.

There is a five roomed bungalow with outhouses and garden situate on the property.

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The property is held for the residue of a term of 75 years from the 25th June 1861. It must be clearly understood that the lease will not be extended beyond the present term.

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NOTICE.

FIRE INSURANCE
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PEACE CELEBRATIONS

NOTICE is hereby given that all Fire Insurance Offices will be closed for the Transaction of Public Business on Saturday, the 19th July, 1919.

By Order,
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
Secretaries.
Hongkong, 17th July, 1919.

NOTICE.

MARINE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION OF
HONGKONG.

PEACE CELEBRATIONS

NOTICE is hereby given that all Marine Insurance Offices will be closed for the Transaction of Public Business on Saturday, the 19th July, 1919.

By Order,
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
Secretaries.
Hongkong, 17th July, 1919.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY
CO. LTD.

PEACE CELEBRATIONS.

NOTICE.—It will be found necessary to suspend the tramway service between Causeway Bay and Whitty Street for some hours on the night of Saturday, the 19th inst. The cars will commence to be withdrawn at 7.30 p.m. and will be completely withdrawn by 8.00 p.m. Between 7.30 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. there will be a limited service only. The resumption will probably commence about 11 p.m.

Should the crowds on Friday or Saturday nights be such that in the opinion of the management the service cannot at any time be safely continued, the cars will be withdrawn or the service altered, and it is hereby notified that the Company do not guarantee the completion of any particular journey.

Every endeavour will be made to provide as frequent a service as is possible under the circumstances.

W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary and Manager.

Hongkong, 17th July 1919.

NOTICE.

GENERAL RECEPTION AT
GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

NOTICE.—No written invitations are being issued for the General Reception at Government House at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday 19th July.

It is requested that those who attend will bring cards with their name clearly written thereon.

NOTICE.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LTD.

An Interim Dividend of Three Dollars per share for the six months ending 30th June, 1919 will be payable on Monday 28th July on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's office.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday the 11th to Monday the 28th July (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER
Secretary to
The Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.
General Agents for the West Point Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 9th July, 1919.

NOTICE.

NOTICE.—The Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd. desire to again draw the attention of consumers to the following facts:—
Owing to the delay, due to conditions created by the war, in obtaining new Plant, the Company find difficulty in carrying the load necessary for public and private supply especially during the hours between 6 and 10 p.m.

Consumers of electric light supplied by the Company are therefore earnestly requested to use the utmost economy in the use of light and of fans during the hours mentioned in order that the possibilities of interruption in the supply, due to breakdown of the machinery, may be avoided. This particularly applies to the evenings of 18th and 19th inst. during Peace Celebrations, and consumers are especially requested not to use any electric light for illumination purposes.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE.—With regard to his previous notice, the Colonial Secretary begs to announce that all men who joined His Majesty's Forces at home or elsewhere, and who are now in Hongkong, should send in their names to him without delay.

NOTICE.

No vessel of any kind is to anchor or lie at any buoy in the area bounded by North and South lines through the Star Ferry Pier and the Victoria Recreation Club between the hours of 9 p.m. and 11.30 p.m. on the 18th and 19th July.

BASIL TAYLOR,
Harbour Master &c.
Hongkong, 16th July, 1919.

NOTICE.

THE BANK OF CHINA

NOTICE is hereby given that under instructions from the Central Bureau of Liquidation, Peking, Allied and Neutral Nationalities having deposits in the above Bank in Gold currency are required to register same with the Local Bureau of Liquidation of the Deutsche Asiatische Bank, care of the Bank of China, Canton, within two weeks from date, Canton, 5th July, 1919.

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J. H. TAGGART,
Manager.
Hongkong, 15th July, 1919.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL
ESTATE LIMITED.

An Interim Dividend of Four Dollars per share for the six months ending 30th June 1919 will be payable on Monday 28th July on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's office.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday the 18th to Monday the 28th July (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER
Secretary to
the General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th July, 1919.

NOTICE.

BANK HOLIDAY.

NOTICE.—Saturday, the 19th July has been gazetted a General Holiday and the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on that day.

Hongkong, 15th July, 1919.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LAND
INVESTMENT & AGENCY
CO., LTD.

An Interim Dividend of three and half Dollars per share for the six months ending 30th June, 1919, will be payable on Monday 28th July, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's office.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Friday the 18th to Monday the 28th July (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
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Secretary.
Hongkong, 9th July, 1919.

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HONGKONG POLICE.

INTERESTING ITEMS.

The following extracts are from the report of the Captain Superintendent of Police for 1918:

Property Reported Stolen and Recovered.—The estimated value of property stolen during the year was \$295,301.00 as against \$283,722.00 in 1917, an increase of \$6,579.00. The average for the last five years is \$247,585, an increase on the average reported in 1917 of \$3,818.00. The value of property recovered during the year was \$41,847.00 as against \$41,167.00 in 1917, an increase over property recovered in the previous year of \$680.00.

Traffic Regulations.—The following prosecutions were instituted under the Traffic Regulations:—Prosecutions, 1,935; convictions, 1,867; withdrawn, 48; discharged, 66; remanded, 4; Result: Fine \$7,590.50.

Mendicants.—Forty-eight beggars were dealt with by the Magistrate, and 510 were sent to Canton as follows:—How often sent away: Once, 485; twice, 22; four times, 1; five times 1; six times, 1.

Licences.—The licences issued during 1918 included—1,450 Hongkong jirikishas; 1,056 private jirikishas; 600 Kowloon jirikishas; 60 Sze Zai Che jirikishas, (brothel); 800 Hongkong chairs; 265 private chairs; 60 Hill District chairs; 28,078 drivers and bearers; 1,245 truck licences; 7 private vehicles; 20 motor cars, (livery); 104 motor cars, (private); 246 motor car drivers; 187 motor licences; 165 motor cycle drivers.

Identification by Finger Impressions.—One Housang and 145 persons were identified as having previous convictions against them, an increase of 208 as compared with 1917. Sixty-nine identifications were those of criminals who had returned from banishment.

Hongkong Police Reserve.—During the year the Police Reserve continued to patrol the streets from 10 p.m. to 12 mid. night. About 64 men doing duty during the year.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

AMERICAN MEAT TRUST.

Washington, July 11.
The Federal Trade Commission has reported urging the President to take the strongest action with a view to preventing the meat packing companies from internationally controlling meat products. The report declares that the five companies, Swift, Armour, Wilson, Morris and Cudahy control 874 companies and have secured a dominating interest in numerous banks enabling them to finance their own international operations and affect the credit of any competing cattle producers. The packers are now seeking to control meat substitutes. They already handle half the poultry, eggs and cheese in interstate commerce.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, July 10.
Messrs. Montagu's report states that the tendency of the market at the beginning of the week was upward owing to a special order and an inclination to hold up supplies, but unless purchases for the Raj can be made a permanently higher level of prices is unjustified. The Indian currency problem is still the principal factor in the market. China has bought substantially but seems momentarily to have shot its bolt. A feature of the week has been the premium on the price for forward delivery, which is now 1/4 above the price for cash delivery.

Silver is quiet.

THE TURKISH TRIALS.

Constantinople, July 11.
A Turkish court martial has submitted for the imperial sanction the sentences of death in contumacious on ex-Ministers Enver Pasha, Talat Pasha and Djemal Pasha, who have fled. Djavid Bey, who was ex-Minister of Finance, and two others were sentenced to fifteen years with hard labour. Ex-President of the Senate Rifaj Bey, and ex-Minister for Posts Hachim Bey were acquitted.

HOME CRICKET.

At Lords, Eton with 176 and 143 for 9 wickets (Gaining declared) beat Harrow 76 and 41.

The matches between Sussex and Surrey, Lancashire and Leicestershire, Warwickshire and Kent, and Yorkshire and Hampshire.

THE SHANTING QUESTION.

Paris, July 12.
The French Government has decided to send a mission to Shanghai to investigate the situation in the Shantung region.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

AUSTRIANS IN SOUTH AMERICA.

Paris, July 11.
Replying to a request contained in the German-Austrian note, the Allies have intimated agreeing to facilitate the repatriation of Austrian officials from South America.

MEXICAN OIL.

Washington, July 12.
The Government of Mexico, carrying out the confiscation decrees, have taken over the Scottish Mexican Oil Company. The British Government is taking up the subject.

DISASTROUS STORMS.

New York, July 12.
It is reported that a number of ships have been wrecked and enormous damage done on the coast of Chile by a heavy snow-sleet storm which is sweeping the southern portions of South America.

AMERICAN SHIPPING STRIKE.

New York, July 12.
The American Shipping Strike has been declared.



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